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Application No.: 10/649,463

Examiner: Pickard, Alison K.

Filed: August 26, 2003

Art Unit: 3676

Title: WEATHERSEAL WITH SEALING SURFACE HAVING STRIPS OF MATERIAL
EXHIBITING REDUCED ADHESION BONDING TO FROZEN WATER

SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

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A telephonic interview was conducted 11 October 2005 between
Examiner Allison K. Pickard and Brian B. Shaw, Esq., attorney for the Applicant.

1. No exhibits were shown or demonstrations conducted during the telephonic interview.
2. All of the claims of record were subject of the discussion.
3. U.S. patent to Saint-Louis Augustin (US 5,005,317) and U.S. patent to Bova (US 5,314,752) were discussed.
4. With respect to the principle proposed amendments of substantive nature, the teachings of the art were primarily discussed as opposed to additional claim language.

5. The general thrust of the principle arguments were directed to the recited claim limitations that a freeze release material and the seal material both simultaneously contact the confronting surface, and that to modify Saint-Louis Augustin as suggested would be expressly contrary to the purpose of the reference, as Saint-Louis Augustin employs friction reducing material to preclude the underlying material from contacting the window. Further, arguments were made that the materials of Saint-Louis Augustin provide a different structure than is recited in the present claims.

6. No other pertinent matters were discussed.

7. The Examiner agreed to consider further arguments distinguishing the asserted combination of references from the pending claims.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: November 23, 2005



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